

## MEDIA RELEASE

## **Greenbelt Police Department to conduct Sobriety Checkpoint Wednesday November 27**<sup>th</sup>

The night before Thanksgiving has become one of the deadliest nights for motorists due to drunk drivers and unbuckled motorists. On Wednesday November 27<sup>th</sup> the Greenbelt Police Department will be conducting a sobriety checkpoint in Greenbelt as part of the CHECKPOINT STRIKE FORCE Campaign. Police officers will be looking for impaired drivers, reminding motorists of the consequences of impaired driving and looking for unbuckled drivers. Wearing your seatbelt is your best defense against an impaired driver. Motorists who come through the checkpoint unbelted will be reminded to buckle up.

Under the CHECKPOINT STRIKEFORCE initiative, law enforcement agencies in those jurisdictions have committed to conducting sobriety checkpoints throughout the region. The objectives of the campaign are to both deter motorists from driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol and to identify and arrest those who ignore the dangers of getting behind the wheel while impaired. This checkpoint is funded by the Maryland Department of Transportation.

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